



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
HAZARDOUS MATERIALS REGULATIONS BOARD
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20590

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[Docket No. HM-26; Notice 69-18]

TRANSPORTATION OF HAZARDOUS
MATERIALS

Specification 50X Portable Tanks and
4B240X Cylinders

The Hazardous Materials Regulations Board is considering deleting references in the Department's Hazardous Materials Regulations to the authorized use and construction of Specification 50X portable tanks and 4B240X cylinders.

Interested persons are invited to give their views on this proposal. Communications should identify the docket number and be submitted in duplicate to the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, Department of Transportation, 400 Sixth Street SW., Washington, D.C. 20590. Communications received on or before September 10, 1969, will be considered before final action is taken on the proposal. All comments received will be available for examination by interested persons at the Office of the Secretary, Hazardous Materials Regulations Board, both before and after the closing date for comments.

Appendices A and A-1 to Subpart C of Part 178 were made a part of the regulations on March 29, 1940, to authorize the trial transportation of butane in portable fusion-welded tanks identified as Specification "ICC-50X". There was also made a part of the regulations, following Appendix A-1, reference to the order of December 18, 1941, which authorized trial transportation of liquefied petroleum gas in cylinders identified as Specification "ICC-4B240X".

It appears that the appendices and orders mentioned above no longer serve any valid purpose and that they should be deleted. It also appears that it is no

longer necessary to authorize the two trial specifications covered by the orders; however, any owner or user of either of these two specifications may provide the Board with information concerning their use, including the number being used, the type of service, and retest data. All information provided will be considered before a final rule making action.

In consideration of the foregoing, the Board proposes to delete the following sections and references to construction and authorized use of ICC-50X portable tanks and ICC-4B240X cylinders:

1. Paragraph (d) in § 173.32;
2. The reference to "4B240X" in § 173.301(h);
3. The reference to "4B240X" in § 173.304(d)(3)(i), and
4. All matter incorporated at the end of Subpart C to Part 178 following § 178.68-20 to the beginning of Subpart D of that part.

This proposal is made under the authority of sections 831-835 of title 18 United States Code, and section 9 of the Department of Transportation Act (49 U.S.C. 1657), and title VI and section 902 (h) of the Federal Aviation Act of 1958 (49 U.S.C. 1421-1430 and 1472(h)).

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